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	Footlight Fever	U	Alan Mowbray, Elizabeth Risdon
Monday Oct. 5 for 3 days	BROADWAY	A	Pat O'Brien, George Raft,
	Almost Married	U	Jane Frazee, Robert Paige
Thursday Oct. 8 for 3 days	HOW GREEN WAS MY VALLEY	A	Walter Pidgeon, Maureen O'Hara
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	Behind the News	A	Lloyd Nolan, Doris Davenport
Monday Oct. 12 for 3 days	WAKE UP AND DREAM	U	Gloria Jean, Robert Paige
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Thursday Oct. 15 for 3 days	SABOTEUR	A	Robert Cummings, Priscilla Lane, Jimmy Lydon, Mary Anderson
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	Caravan	U	Charles Boyer, Loretta Young
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	Santa Fe Bound	U	Tom Tyler, Jeanne Martel
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	On the Sunny Side	U	Roddy McDowell, Jane Darwell
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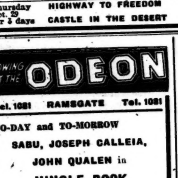

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Thursday	... 7.8 p.m.—6.31 a.m.
Friday	... 7.6 p.m.—6.33 a.m.
Saturday	... 7.4 p.m.—6.34 a.m.
Sunday	... 7.2 p.m.—6.36 a.m.
Monday	... 7.0 p.m.—6.38 a.m.

PENSIONER'S ANONYMOUS GIFT

An anonymous donation of 5s. has been received by Ramsgate General Hospital from an old-age pensioner aged 78, living at Broadstairs, who sent his gift in lieu of garden produce.

NEW MARGATE VICAR

REV. K. PERCIVAL SMITH'S APPOINTMENT

Vicar of St. Peter's from 1930 until 1938, the Rev. Kenneth Percival Smith has accepted the living of St. John the Baptist, Margate.

He succeeds the Rev. D. V. Beckingham, who leaves this week to become Vicar of St. Mary's, Folkestone.

At St. Peter's Mr. Percival Smith succeeded the Rev. C. H. S. Matthews and during his last two years at the village was rural dean. When he left for Croydon in April, 1938, the esteem in which he was held by the parishioners was evidenced as the farewell gathering, when he was presented with a cheque for £153. A gold wristlet watch was also given to Mrs. Smith. Mr. Smith took great interest in the British Legion, Toc H and youth movements.

He was educated at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, obtained his B.A. degree in 1910 and his M.A. five years later. Ordained in 1909, he held his first appointment as curate at Croydon, went to Ashford, Kent, as curate after four years and in 1927 became vicar at St. Philip's, Lambeth, from where he came to St. Peter's.

Serving with the 5th Northants in the last war, he held the rank of captain and was awarded the Military Cross in 1919.

Mr. Beckingham had been chaplain of Margate A.T.C. since its inception and at an informal parade of the squadron last week he was presented with a piece of silver plate. The presentation was made by Flt./Sgt. E. Lawrence, who thanked Mr. Beckingham for all he had done for the N.C.Os. and cadets in both work and play.

The resignation of Mr. Beckingham was received with regret at last week's meeting of Margate Education Committee.

AIR BATTLE AT DIEPPE

AWARD TO RAMSGATE OFFICER

A 21-year-old R.A.F. officer who was born at Ramsgate, has been awarded the D.F.C. for a courageous feat during the combined Allied operations at Dieppe on 19th August.

He is Plt./Off. Denis Sloan, of No. 614 Squadron, whose home is now at Hull.

During the operations he was the rear-gunner of the leading aircraft of a formation of five detailed to lay a smoke-screen at Dieppe. While the planes were over the target area intense light anti-aircraft fire was encountered and as the machines were being flown in line astern at a height of only 50ft., it was difficult for the pilot to take avoiding action.

In spite of this Plt./Off. Sloan, skilfully handling his guns, fired continuously and effectively, and thus prevented the following aircraft from becoming another target for the enemy's anti-aircraft gunners.

Plt./Off. Sloan served as a flight/sergeant in the R.A.F.V.R. and was commissioned in May this year.

FOOD OFFICIAL'S DEATH

TRAGEDY IN GAS-FILLED OFFICE

Ministry of Food slaughterhouse manager for the Ramsgate and Ash areas, Mr. Norman Claude Field, aged 34, of Chequers-lane, Ash, was found dead in his gas-filled office at Ramsgate on Monday morning.

Mr. Field left his home at nine o'clock on Sunday morning.

At 7.15 a.m. on Monday Mr. Cyril Danton visited the slaughterhouse in Winstanley-crescent and going to the office found Mr. Field lying dead. Gas was escaping from a pipe.

Mr. Field leaves a widow and two young children.

An inquest will be held by Ramsgate Borough Coroner (Mr. J. H. Robinson) to-morrow (Wednesday).

SOME GOOSEBERRIES!

RAMSGATE FRUITERER FINED FOR OVERCHARGING

What are dessert gooseberries? The official answer, supplied at Ramsgate police court on Monday, is that they are yellow, hairless, and weigh not less than half an ounce each.

John Frederick Turner, fruiterer, of the Market-place, Ramsgate, who was summoned for selling gooseberries at a price in excess of the maximum laid down by the Ministry of Food on 29th July, told the magistrates he had been in business for 30 years but he had never seen a gooseberry weighing half an ounce.

There was a second summons against defendant for selling cherry plums at a price in excess of the maximum on 10th August.

Mr. G. H. Edwards, who prosecuted on behalf of the Food Control Enforcement Sub-Committee, said defendant sold some gooseberries at 6d. a pound. Under the Soft Fruit (Maximum Prices) Order, gooseberries were in two categories—dessert gooseberries, which the maximum price was 5d. per pound, and gooseberries of other types 5d. per pound. Dessert gooseberries were defined as being "yellow, hairless and weighing not less than half an ounce each." The gooseberries sold by defendant did not come up to these requirements.

Miss Janis Turner, a clerk at the Food Office, gave evidence of making purchases. She saw gooseberries marked up at 6d. and 1s. a pound. She asked which were dessert gooseberries and defendant said both were. She bought a pound of 6d. gooseberries.

Ten to Make Two Ounces.

Frank Brown, Enforcement Inspector to the Ministry of Food, said defendant told him he sold the gooseberries as dessert as they were yellow and hairless. Witness pointed out that in addition they must weigh not less than half an ounce each. Witness weighed some of the gooseberries and it took ten to make two ounces. When witness drew defendant's attention to this he said witness picked out the little ones. Defendant declined to weigh them himself and suggested witness should weigh some from a bag. Witness did so and it took 14 to make two ounces.

Continuing, witness said defendant was also showing gooseberries marked at 1s. a pound. When these were weighed it took eight to make two ounces.

Defendant denied that he had gooseberries marked up at 1s. He said he had them marked up at 1s. 6d. and 8d. For 40 years he had been selling the 6d. and 8d. variety as dessert.

In the case of the cherry plums, Mr. Edwards stated that they were sold at 8d. whereas the maximum price was 5d. The sale was made by defendant's daughter.

Defendant said he had a 5d. price ticket in the basket but it must have fallen off, leaving the 8d. ticket exposed. As his daughter did not know the prices she sold the cherry plums at 8d. a pound.

Defendant was fined £1 on each summons and ordered to pay £1 1s. advocate's fee.

MORE PAY FOR TEACHERS

A new scale of war allowances to teachers as from 1st July has been approved by Margate Education Committee.

It will have the effect of giving the teachers increases ranging from £16 to £23 a year. The new scale is as follows: teachers over 21 receiving salaries up to £262 10s. a year, men £45 (previously £26), women £36 (£19 10s.); salaries of over £262 10s. a year, men £35 (£13), women £28 (£10 8s.). The allowances for teachers under 21 will be—men £26, women £19 10s.

To save aerodrome petrol, R.A.F. pilots are riding to and from their planes on white bicycles

A FIFTH YEAR OF OFFICE

ALDERMAN KEMPE TO RETAIN MAYORALTY

TWO-HOUR PRIVATE MEETING

At a private meeting of the members of Ramsgate Town Council on Friday, at which there was a very free expression of opinion, it was decided to nominate the present Mayor (Alderman A. B C. Kempe) for a fifth year of office.

The actual election of the Mayor takes place on 9th November but it is customary to hold an informal meeting beforehand and the decision then arrived at is almost invariably confirmed at the November meeting.

The re-election of Alderman Kempe was moved by Councillor W. G. Love and seconded by Councillor J. B. Butler.

There was a second nomination—that of Alderman W. Hawkins. This nomination was made by Alderman C. R. Woodhams and seconded by Alderman A. E. Petley.

The meeting lasted two hours and when the vote was taken 16 voted for Alderman Kempe and 10 for Alderman Hawkins.

It is understood that there was one non-voter.

Alderman Kempe, who has already broken a number of records, will be setting up another record by being elected mayor for the fifth consecutive year.

The country was plunged into war during the first year of Alderman Kempe's mayoralty and the duties have been more arduous since than any mayor has had to face since the incorporation of the borough.

The firm line Alderman Kempe has taken on several occasions has not made him popular in certain quarters but the unusual and difficult circumstances in which the town finds itself no doubt influenced the majority in favour of extending for a further year, which it is hoped will see the climax of the war, the term of office of the present mayor.

Alderman Kempe was elected to the Council in 1933 and two years later was elevated to the aldermanic bench.

As chairman of the Sands and Entertainments Committee, both before and after his election to the mayoralty, he was instrumental in gaining for the town considerable publicity up and down the country and Ramsgate was undoubtedly on the "crest of the wave" at the time of the crises which eventually led to the war.

POST OFFICE HOURS

As from Monday, 5th October, the head Post Office at Ramsgate and the branch office at Broadway, Broadstairs, will be closed at 6 p.m.

DAYLIGHT RAIDER

BOMBS ON COAST TOWN

SLIGHT CASUALTIES ONLY

A horse was the only fatal casualty when a lone enemy raider swooped from the clouds and dropped four high explosive bombs on the outskirts of a south-east coast town on Monday morning.

Some damage was caused but only five persons sustained slight injuries and they were able to return home after treatment at a first aid depot.

Several cows grazing in a field were cut by bomb splinters.

The main area of damage was confined to a garage and surrounding outbuildings. A bomb which fell within a few yards of the building demolished one end and part of the roof caved in.

Houses in the vicinity were damaged chiefly by blast but this was confined to windows and tiles.

Mr. W. Hiller had a lucky escape when he was blown several yards by blast. He was standing at the rear of the garage when a bomb fell, and looking up he saw bricks and rubble falling. Suddenly the blast caught him and he was blown several yards but fortunately escaped injury.

One bomb which fell at the rear of a farm killed a horse but otherwise caused no damage. Cows which were in the vicinity were noticed to be cut by bomb splinters when they were milked later in the day.

One of the people who witnessed the bombs falling from the plane was Mr. A. E. Bendall, who received a slight knee injury. Despite this he rushed forward to see if anyone had been trapped beneath the debris.

Mr. W. Baldwin sustained concussion, while Mr. J. Crisp, Mr. R. Hunt and Mr. D. West suffered from head wounds and shock.

FOUR SUMMONSES

SEQUEL TO WOMAN'S VISIT TO RAMSGATE

Four summonses arising from the visit to Ramsgate of a young woman from Northants were down for hearing at Ramsgate police court on Monday.

Marjorie Eva Rose Pateanall, aged 19, described as a railway carriage cleaner, of Ashfield-road, Wellingborough, Northants, was summoned for failing to produce her identity card at Wellingborough police station as requested, for unlawfully using the name of Marjorie Henderson, and for entering Ramsgate for the purpose of pleasure on 2nd August.

Brinley Edward Williams, aged 32, labourer, of Queen Alexandra-road, Bedford, was summoned for aiding and abetting in the latter offence.

The Magistrates' Clerk (Mr. E. A. Knight) read a letter from the woman in Northants which she said she had not been able to work for over a month owing to the health of her 12-months old baby.

The Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) said the magistrates felt it was necessary that both defendants should attend court.

The Chief Constable (Mr. S. F. Butler) said he had present in court two witnesses—one from Wellingborough and one from Bedford. The expense of bringing them down again would be heavy. At the moment the expenses were £3 14s. 10d. and if they had to come down again it would be doubled.

The Chairman said the decision of the magistrates was that the case would be adjourned to 9th October. An intimation would be given to defendants that if they did not attend a warrant for their arrest would be issued.

MR. EDWARD L. DEVESON

DEATH IN ILLINOIS

Older residents of Broadstairs who were pupils at Holy Trinity Boys' School just over half a century ago may remember Edward Lewis Deveson, who passed away at his home at Gardner, Illinois, U.S.A.

Mr. Deveson, who was 70 years of age, was born at Sandwich, and as a small boy came with his family to Broadstairs, where he was educated. At the age of 15 he went to America and made his home in Illinois, where he married in 1900. His wife died 13 years ago and in 1931 he married again.

Retiring from work on the railroad in 1937, he was awarded a gold medal for 25 years' service.

Mr. Deveson has three brothers in England, one of whom, Mr. Charles Deveson, residing in Thanet-road, Broadstairs, was formerly steward of the Broadstairs Club.

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"He may be grateful to the police for picking him up and preventing him from smashing up his own home," said the Chief Constable (Mr. S. F. Butler) at Ramsgate police court on Monday when Gnr. Norman Alvin Supple, R.A., aged 21, pleaded guilty to being drunk and disorderly in Packer's-lane on Thursday afternoon.

P/S Files said that at 2.45 p.m. he went to Elizabeth-cottages. Packer's-lane where he saw defendant, who was dressed in civilian clothes. He was drunk and was using obscene language. Witness told him to go indoors but he refused and continued to use obscene language. Defendant adopted a fighting attitude so with the assistance of W/R Coleman witness brought defendant to the police station.

The officer said that on the way to the station W/R Coleman received an injury to the thumb and as a result he had to go off duty.

"I was on leave. That is all I can say," said defendant, when asked if he wished to offer any explanation for his conduct.

The officer from defendant's unit said he had not previously given any trouble.

Defendant was fined 10s.

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IN consequence of the heavy calls which are being made on the Town's finances, Ratepayers are urged to make payment of outstanding Rates not later than the 15th October, 1942.

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21 —	1/9	2/9	3/6	6/-	11/-	18/-	33/-
24 —	2/-	3/-	4/-	7/-	13/-	21/-	39/-
27 —	2/3	3/6	4/6	8/-	15/-	24/-	45/-
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DEVOTION TO DUTY

RAMSGATE MAN MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES

Mr. Douglas E. T. Wrenn, formerly of 10 Penshurst-road, Ramsgate, has been mentioned in despatches for devotion to duty in the Middle East.

He is serving as a senior operator in the Royal Corps of Signals and the mention, it is understood, is in connection with his work as a signaller in a tank in action.

Some time ago his mother, who now lives at Reading, received information that he was missing but a week afterwards learnt that he was safe. Her latest letter from him states that he is resting in Cairo.

Douglas, whose father, Mr. E. M. Wrenn, secretary of the Ramsgate Cricket League, passed away in April last year, is well-known among Thanet cycling enthusiasts and in peace-time he toured several Continental countries on his cycle. Together with a fellow member of the Margate Cycling Club, Mr. H. Miles, of Westwood, he spent a cycling holiday in Germany, Italy and Switzerland at the end of August, 1939. The two men were in Munich when Germany marched into Poland on 1st September and, travelling by train via Cologne, they managed to get over the frontier into Belgium less than 16 hours before England's declaration of war.

Mr. Wrenn joined up early in the war and prior to that was employed at Messrs. Lane's printing works, Broadstairs.

UNPUBLISHED STORY

EPIC DAYS RECALLED AT KING'S

The tremendous days of August-September, 1940, when the Battle of Britain was at its height, provides the background for "Unpublished Story," which heads the bill at the King's Theatre, Ramsgate, to-day and to-morrow.

The plot centres on two newspaper reporters, played by Richard Greene and Valerie Hobson. Greene discovers a so-called "peace organisation," which he suspects of being used by the Nazis as a mask for their fifth column activities. His investigation begins with the Battle of Britain at its height and continues through the subsequent period of night bombing. Outstanding scenes include the reconstruction of the great fire at the London docks on the night of the first big Nazi raid on the capital, and a reconstruction of Victoria station, in which not only is shown the moving scenes of the return of the B.E.F. from Dunkirk but a rounding up of Nazi spies. "Cadets on Parade," with Freddie Bartholomew and Jimmy Lydon, is also being shown.

Chief feature for the latter part of the week is "Two Latins from Manhattan," an uproarious new "filmusical." Joan Davis, Jinx Falkenburg and Joan Woodbury have the leading roles in a story which deals with the adventures of two Broadway show girls impersonating a South American dancing team. The music of the film, consisting mainly of torrid, rhythmical South American congas, is further highlighted by a special rendition of "Daddy," delivered with plenty of "wham." Lola Lane and Paul Kelly head the cast of "Mystery Ship," which will also be shown.

BICYCLE MADE FOR ONE

Olaf Germaine, of Prestedge-avenue, Ramsgate, and Edmund Antony, of Oaten-hill, Canterbury, were fined 5s. each at Margate police court on Wednesday for riding together on a cycle which was constructed to carry not more than one person.

P/C Warren said that he saw Germaine riding a tradesman's cycle down St. Peter's-road with Antony sitting on the carrier. When stopped Germaine said "Ramsgate police told me it was all right," and when witness asked him who the policeman was he replied "Well, they did not actually tell me, but they did not take any notice."

Germaine added that they were working further up the road and as they had only half an hour for dinner it saved time to give Antony a ride.

IN TOBRUK RAID

ST. PETER'S SAILOR MISSING

On Tuesday morning Mrs. Jennings, of 3 Victoria-avenue, Northdown, St. Peter's, received two letters.

One was from the Admiralty, stating that her son, First Class Stkr. Charles William Jennings, R.N., was among the men reported missing from the destroyer Sikh, which was sunk in the recent operations at Tobruk.

The second letter, dated 4th September, which was before the Tobruk raid, was from her son.

Twenty-three years of age, Stkr. Jennings attended Holy Trinity and the Central Schools, Margate, and was afterwards employed at a printing works.

He joined the Royal Navy in 1938 and served on the minesweeper Kellett, which helped to evacuate men of the B.E.F. from Dunkirk. Kellett landed some of the survivors at Margate.

When home on leave early in January, Stkr. Jennings was staying in Canterbury with his fiancee on the night of the blitz. The house was burnt out and Stkr. Jennings lost all his clothes.

Shortly afterwards he went to the Mediterranean and was posted to the Sikh last month.

A FLOP

BOARD OF EDUCATION BACK A LOSER

The Board of Education have discovered what any child could have told them—that children prefer to spend their holidays away from school and the supervision of their teachers.

In July the Board sent a circular to education authorities asking them to make plans for the care of children during the school holiday period.

Most authorities carried out the suggestions of the Board but the result was a "flop."

At Ramsgate the Education Committee approved proposals for the continuance of school meals at Hereson and Ellington British Restaurants, the provision of milk for the children at five school centres and the opening of the Newington playing field and a number of school playgrounds for use by the children. Supervision of meals and the distribution of milk was undertaken by the teachers.

The result of the effort was described by the chairman, (Alderman W. T. Smith) at a meeting of the Education Committee on Wednesday.

Alderman Smith said although the committee did their bit the facilities provided were apparently not wanted. Milk was supplied to less than 10 per cent. and meals less than one per cent. of the whole of the children on the schools roll. He understood that Ramsgate's experience was typical of other parts of the country.

Mr. W. A. Davies said they had a similar experience in Staffordshire. They were asked to make plans for the continuance in some form of the schools during the holiday period but generally the whole thing had been a "flop." The teachers attended at the schools but the response on the part of the children was very weak indeed. Most authorities, Staffordshire included, tried sincerely to carry out the wishes of the Board but it was definitely a failure.

JUNGLE BOOK

SABU AT THE ODEON

After months of painstaking preparation and research, Alexander Korda transferred to the screen in technicolour Rudyard Kipling's famous "Jungle Book," which is being shown at the Odeon Cinema, Ramsgate, to-day and to-morrow.

Sabu is starred in the role of Mowgli and opposite him is Patricia O'Rourke. The story of the exploits of the young boy who was raised by jungle wild animals and returned to his native village after 12 years to learn again the ways of man is beloved by most children, and a great many adults. The background is picturesque Northern India during the last century and the production entailed the creation of scenes of authentic jungle beauty, filled with wild animals and tropical bird life, as well as scenes of fantastic splendour completely out of this world. "Jungle Book" should not be missed. Also being shown is "Sabotage at Sea," with Dave Hutcheson.

"Reap the Wild Wind," which heads the bill for the latter part of the week, presents a great trio of public favourites in Ray Milland, Paulette Goddard and John Wayne. Ray Milland is one of the most popular leading men in present-day pictures. Here, in a melodrama of a hundred years ago, he is one half of the romantic ups and downs facing Paulette Goddard. The other half is John Wayne, as a dashing sea dog home from China in a ship laden with silks and spices. Storms, wrecks, fights and the constant battle of man against the elements make for an edge-of-the-seat story.

VICKERY—SMITH

ST. LAWRENCE WEDDING

Miss Ellen Rose Mary Smith, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Smith, of 71 Whitehall-road, Ramsgate, was married at St. Lawrence Church last week to Cpl. William Ivor Vickery, R.A.F. third son of Mrs. Thorpe and the late Mr. Vickery, of Swansea.

The bride was given away by her father and wore a dress of white figured satin with veil and orange blossom, carrying a bouquet of pink roses. She was attended by one bridesmaid, Miss Doris Williams (cousin of the bridegroom), who was attired in a dress of pink taffeta, covered with pink net, a headdress of silver leaves and a pink veil. Her bouquet was of cream roses and mauve scabious.

The Vicar (the Rev. J. H. Roundhill) conducted the service. Mr. Hubert Vickery (brother of the bridegroom) was best man and the hymn sung was "The Voice that breathed o'er Eden."

Following a reception at St. Benedict's Hall, Newington, the couple left for their honeymoon in Swansea, the bride travelling in a maroon dress, with accessories to match and a grey coat.

Their presents numbered over 50 and Master Jack Thorpe (step-brother of the bridegroom), who acted as page, gave the bride a silver horseshoe.

THIS WEEK'S SHORT STORY

STANDING ROOM ONLY

BY

KESTON CLARKE

Everybody bolted. Within a few seconds the West End shopping street was as forsaken as the Valley of the Kings.

It wasn't an earthquake alarm or the rumour of some galloping epidemic. It was just that a big cloud, sailing majestically across a blue sky, had stopped suddenly straight overhead, and proceeded to empty istelf like a squeezed sponge.

The street was forsaken; but not the shop doorways. They were packed with cowering groups, all dressed as one would expect to dress on an August afternoon.

The young man attired in the stylish gent's grey lightweight was caught exactly in the middle of the road. He looked around wildly. Then he began to sprint towards a red blur that occupied the angle of an L-shaped office front.

At the same moment a young lady, neatly encased in a new costume the shade of antique ivory, spotted the red blur from an almost equal distrance. She sprinted too.

And a moment or two later the public telephone kiosk, property of His Majesty's Government and under the administration of His Majesty's Postmaster General, was the scene of a short but decisive struggle between two citizens (the term "citizeness" is mercifully outmoded) neither of whom intended to use the structure for its legitimate purpose.

At any other time the young man would have stood gracefully aside, wearing the polite smile with which men conceal the dumb suffering they endure while waiting for a woman to finish with the phone. But Sir Lancelot himself wouldn't have exposed his chivalrous ideals to that cold deluge. Such things tarnish so easily.

"I was here first, I think," she stated, in a tone of frigid civility.

"I rather gathered," replied the young man, urbanely, "that it was a dead-heat. Or possibly"—he waved towards the score of faces peering from a nearby arcade—"you'd like to lodge an appeal at the judges' box?"

She'd been brought up not to sniff; but she made the appropriate grimace and remarked:

"You might shut the door after you, anyway."

"I might, if you'd do something with that enormous bunch of flowers—and that dress-box—and let me come right in."

This was completely unreasonable, as the young lady curtly pointed out; because the young man's entrance was impeded mainly by a large cubical object, covered with a blue cloth, which he was trying to bring in with him.

"Anyway," he urged, "you could stuff those carnations into the parcels thing, and balance the dress-box on your head. It doesn't look heavy, and the girls in the eastern countries owe their carriage and poise to the fact that they always go about with things on their heads. Then I could bring in my left leg, out of the rain."

"You've no right to come in here out of the rain."

"Oh? But——"

"If you want to know," she announced, firmly, "I came in here to telephone."

"Go on, then!"

She hesitated. And he remarked, pleasantly, "I can suggest some very charming numbers. There's Parkside 1104. That's Sam Braggs, who'll fillet you a nice plaice and send it round in ten minutes. Or Fleetbury 8452. That's Jeakes, Jeakes, Wringem and Jeakes, my solicitors: a very shady crew and highly recommended——"

With a look of determination the young lady brought out some coppers from her handbag, and applied herself to the phone. The call went through promptly. "Oh—that Mary? Look, darling, I'm caught in the rain and sheltering in the Exbury-street phone box; only there's a very unpleasant young man who insists on turning me out because he wants to ring up his wife. Will you find a taxi and pick me up? In five minutes——? Splendid. 'Bye."

She then glanced scornfully at the young man, who returned a look of infinite reproach.

"Most uncalled-for. In the first place I haven't a wife; and if I had the kind of wife I **would** have if I had a wife, I wouldn't do my stuff over a soulless telephone; and in the second place the rain's stopping; and in the third place——"

The Third Factor.

The third factor was supplied by something much more dramatic than the young man had in mind. For a lorry, trying to pull up quickly on the swimming tarmac, swooped sideways against the kerb and overturned just outside the phone box. The driver and mate, unhurt, scrambled out grinning ruefully.

"Missed us by five inches," observed the young man in grey.

The girl gathered up her flowers and her dress-box. "If you'll please let me pass——"

"I will; but the lorry won't. It's come over by the door, don't you see? And I don't think even the most—er—modern figure could climb through a five-inch opening. So much for Mary and her taxi——"

She gasped; and her manner softened in this new predicament, for which the young man could not possibly be blamed. "What on earth shall we do? I've an important business appointment in 20 minutes."

Meanwhile, the lorry couldn't have chosen a more fortunate place and time for staging its performance. The stormcloud had sailed on and the people in the doorways were ready for something else at which to gape. They surrounded the scene ten deep; while the mate pushed through to find a usable telephone the driver consulted amicably with a policeman.

The word went quickly round that two people—a young chap and a young woman—were trapped inside the phone box. Trapped! It sounded like something that might turn up later in a headline. The nearest ranks of the crowd stared in, with relish; and the two prisoners stared calmly out.

The young man thought of something, and drew her attention back to the phone. "Your appointment," he reminded her. "The phone is a handy device, I believe, for unmaking dates——"

"No good. It's with Ralph Otway, the film casting director; and they say he never takes the slightest notice of calls. If you can't catch him personally you're sunk. They tell me he's awful——"

"But if you've actually an appointment——?"

She smiled rather unhappily. "I was going to try and crash in. Mary—she's in the office—was to help; but he's leaving for Cornwall at five——"

The faces of the driver and the policeman and the mate appeared in a queer vertical row at the five-inch orifice. Everything possible was being done, they explained in turn and in chorus; but the lorry was heavy and there wasn't a breakdown outfit to hand and it might be a couple of hours and could you manage to stick it out——

"Sure!" said the young man in grey. "We're doing fine. Cheerful companionship, plenty of fun and games, and"—he indicated the phone directories—"and up-to-date library of highly useful information. Only the grub's a bit poor."

This jocular remark was interpreted by those who heard it as signifying that Couple Trapped in Phone Box were in imminent peril of dying from privation and exposure. And in any case, the British Public knows of one infallible resource in all such emergencies.

Within a few minutes, seven cups of tea were being handed through the opening; and a dozen more were on the way. And in answer to a benevolent offer of soup and blankets, the young man in grey replied readily:

"No; thank you very much. But I could manage a portion of steak and kidney pudding, with cabbage and potatoes; provided you can get 'em on a five-inch plate. And the young lady would like a biscuit."

These arrived from a nearby restaurant. Then the young man closed the door firmly.

"I dislike eating in public. And do you mind if I put my steak pudding on the dress-box?"

"Put it on the dress, if you like," said the girl. "I bought it so's I could look my best at Mr. Otway; but he'll be in Cornwall before I can get it on."

Inside the Cage.

The young man regarded her steadily as he ate. "To me," he mumbled, "you look pretty good in that costume. Pardon my talking through steak pudding, but I missed my lunch. Gosh, and so did Yackey!" He pulled the blue cloth from his cube-shaped load on the floor, and it stood revealed as a cage containing—

"A 'possum!" exclaimed the young lady. She knelt down—it wasn't easy in the space frugally provided by the Postmaster—and tweeted at the animal.

"Opossum, strictly speaking." He offered the scared creature a piece of potato from his fork, but the morsel was angrily rejected. Then the young lady tried: and obtained a friendly, hungry response.

"He's taken a fancy to you."

"Most animals do," she confessed.

"Perhaps," suggested the young man, cheerfully, "this Otway creature is some kind of animal. Why not follow him down to Cornwall, when you get out?"

She gave a little laugh. "That chance is gone by now. I'm not one to weep over what's lost. Besides," she mused, truthfully, "I wasn't really looking forward to it. I've heard he's a rude beast, and difficult to please. Maybe I wouldn't be any use in his show anyway. Here—Yackey, Yackey!"

The young man in grey slowly finished off his meal, while he watched the girl and the opossum becoming firm friends. They made a pleasant picture. So pleasant that it was some seconds before any one of the three noticed that the kiosk door was now wide open.

Two men with heavy crowbars looked in, grinning.

"We've managed to slide 'er over a foot or two," said one, "and you can come out now."

"If so be you still want to," remarked the other, with a knowing wink which the young lady, the young man and the opossum firmly ignored.

The cage emerged first; followed by the dress-box, the bouquet, the young lady; and finally the young man, carrying his plate, together with six cups and saucers in a pile, which he placed on the pavement.

"Twenty to six," he said. "Too bad about your Otway. And I haven't the nerve to offer you more tea. But how about an ice, just to show you don't care?"

"I'd rather see one strawberry ice," she declared, "than half a gross of Otways at the moment."

"Wait for me in the restaurant over the way," said the young man, "and I'll be with you in three minutes."

She went across happily.

He turned back into the phone box and dialled a number quickly. "That you, Sam? Been delayed—I'll be over in an hour. Yes, I got the opossum—one that's been in films before. And a girl for that big part. Yes; sure she's okay. I've been studying her style for an hour. Eh? Oh, we'll have to forget about Cornwall—I'm going to have a lot of dates in town. Cheeroh."

Then the young man in grey picked up his opossum and headed swiftly for the restaurant.

The End

The characters in this story are entirely imaginary. No reference is intended to any living person or to any public or private company.

POLICE BEAT ARTILLERY

Ramsgate Police defeated the Royal Artillery by 197 points to 182 in a shooting match on Wednesday.

Ramsgate Police—S/C Williams 17 and 18, D/C Oram 9 and 14, S/C Fearn 17 and 12, S/C Luckett 12 and 16, P/C Slinn 16 and 13, P/S Jenner 17 and 11, A/C/I Hicks 10 and 9, S/C Hearnden 4 and 2.

Royal Artillery—Sgt. Duckworth 15 and 17, B/S/M Fall 10 and 5, B/S/M Scott 0 and 7, Sgt. Hogben 19 and 16, L/Bdr. Underwood 15 and 13, Gnr. Allcock 13 and 12, Gnr. Lever 17 and 9, Bdr. Murray 13 and 1.

GIVE THE A.T.S. A BIRTHDAY PRESENT

STORY OF FOUR YEARS OF ACHIEVEMENT

By EVELYN IRONS

Sunday, 27th September, was a proud day for the A.T.S. For then it was four years old.

All over the country, in barracks and camps and on lonely ack-ack gun-sites, the girls in khaki celebrated. And rightly. The astounding growth of this vast army of women—now the biggest in the world—is one of the marvels of the war.

When they were mobilised in September, 1939, there were only 17,000 of them. "Purely domestic duties" was the idea then. They could serve as clerks, cooks, drivers, orderlies or storewomen.

To-day, instead of five different trades, over 60 are open to them. Here are some of the latest—armourer, carpenter and joiner, experimental gunnery assistant, fitter, motor mechanic, shoemaker. When ack-ack guns drive Nazi raiders from the sky, battle-dressed, steel helmeted A.T.S. girls do everything but the actual firing. One of them, Pte. Norah Caveney, died at her gun in April—the first A.T.S. to be killed in action. Some of them serve abroad. In the Middle East. In Palestine.

I am not allowed to tell you the present numbers of the A.T.S. The enemy would be interested in this military secret. But at the beginning of this year they passed their first hundred thousand. At that time the aim was 200,000 by June. Recruiting since then has been enormously increased.

Anxious Days.

Switch back to the day the A.T.S. was born. On 27th September, 1938, the War Office announced the formation of a women's Auxiliary Territorial Service. Two days later Mr. Neville Chamberlain flew to Munich.

In those dark, anxious days I watched the women flock to volunteer. Recruiting centres opened in London, and in towns all over the country. The women enrolled for four years—which means that the earliest members can now leave the service if they wish—and they undertook to attend a minimum of ten drills a year and to go to camp for not less than eight days in alternate years.

A fortnight later I saw the first of their officers, many in smart town clothes and high-heeled shoes, being drilled by Grenadier Guards sergeants in the barrack square of the Duke of York's headquarters in Chelsea.

Earnestly, self-consciously, typists and shop-assistants marched and formed threes in territorial drill belts lent to them for an hour in the evening. They had no uniforms, they got no pay. But they were eager and keen. I drilled one night with a company attached to the famous Rangers. The colonel spoke to the girls, praised their work, told them briefly something of the heroic history of the regiment and welcomed them into it. So the foundations of pride and loyalty were laid.

Goebbels Stung.

Goebbels, quick to see the importance of this new development, poked fun at the women in his Berlin "Angriff" under the headline: "Hands on the seam of your breeches, Miss Maud."

There were people in this country, too, who snickered at the sight of women drilling and marching and calling their officers "Ma'am."

No one foresaw the day, this summer, when the crack A.T.S. platoon gave a full-dress drill display at Wellington Barracks which amazed the guardsmen with its efficiency.

But the A.T.S. marched on.

In April, 1939, seven months after the first recruits enrolled, they began to get their "drab" uniform. (Storm of abuse for "those dreadful hats" since changed.) That summer they held their first camps. They were flooded out, but they stuck it. In July Dame Helen Gwynne-Vaughan, veteran W.A.A.C. leader, was appointed Director A.T.S.

Came war. And within a day or two these women had left their civilian jobs and were serving soldiers at 1s. 4d. a day. The Queen became their Commandant-in-Chief. In March, 1940, the first A.T.S. went to France as typists, cooks, telephonists. The last of them stuck to their posts in Paris until the Germans swept in.

That September, their second birthday, the A.T.S. were still only 30,000 strong, announced Mr. Eden. There were discussions and criticisms. Eighty-eight officers were dismissed to make way for younger, better qualified women.

But by the following June the Army was "thinking in terms of six figures for the A.T.S." Recruiting was at the rate of 10,000 a month. In the last half of 1941 the service practically doubled its strength.

Mixed Batteries.

In July that year the first mixed ack-ack battery went into training. Expansion became urgent. Every A.T.S. was needed to free a soldier for fighting. Forty-two employments were now open to women in the Army.

High spot of A.T.S. history was 1st July, 1941. That day the A.T.S. became part of the armed forces of the Crown, subject to "King's Regs." Officers received the King's Commission and put up army pips instead of their own insignificant stars. Auxiliaries were called "privates" and "sergeants" instead of "volunteers" and "section-leaders." A month later, retiring under the new age-limit, Chief Controller Gwynne-Vaughan, her pioneer work done, handed over the command to Chief Controller Jean Knox.

In March this year the first British women ever to be conscripted joined the Army.

Conscription, however, did not halt the A.T.S. drive for volunteers. The aim for each week's intake of "rookies" was, and still is, a half-and-half mixture of volunteers and "Army class."

The A.T.S. is over its teething troubles now. Conditions are better. Uniform is smarter. Promotion is quicker. There is even a little more pay. The service has emerged with credit from the searching scrutiny of the Markham Committee.

And now the four-year-old A.T.S. has big ideas about a birthday present. It wants YOU.

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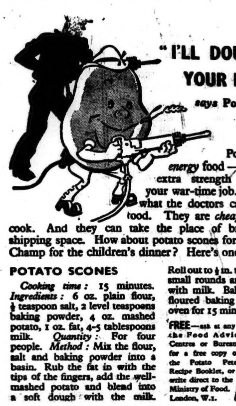

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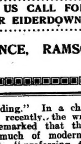

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FREEDOM OF TASTE

DEMOCRACY OR PEDANTOCRACY?

By DR. ERNEST BARKER

There is a connection—which at first sight may seem to be curious, but on reflection is seen to be natural, and even fundamental—between æsthetics and politics

Authoritarianism in æsthetics (or, in other words, a belief in the right of superior taste to control the theatre, literature, and art generally) goes naturally with authoritarianism in politics; and similarly the principle of what may be called "æsthetic democracy" (which means the right and capacity of the ordinary man to judge for himself in matters of art) has a natural connection with the principle of political democracy. The connection may be seen—at any rate it was then that it was first observed by the writer—in the philosophy of Plato and Aristotle.

Plato was a philosophic "pedantocrat," if one may use a word coined by John Stuart Mill and used by John Morley. He believed in the government of the expert who had mastered, and proceeded to impose on the people, the canons of true knowledge. In the strength of this belief he condemned simultaneously "theatreocracy" in art—or the right of the people, assembled in the theatre, to sit in judgment on drama and music—and democracy in politics. In art, as in politics, he held that the wise must judge, and proceed to impose their judgment: "the finest music is that which delights the best man, the properly educated."

This is the argument advanced in Plato's "Laws": and it is controverted in Aristotle's "Politics." Aristotle was not a pedantocrat: on the contrary he had a belief—which is curiously like our English belief and the practice in which it issues—in the judgment of the ordinary man. He expresses this belief in a notable passage of the "Politics," when he is defending the right of the people at large to a voice in politics. "The many," he says, "when they meet together, may very likely be better than the few good, if regarded not individually but collectively."

That is a political argument; but he proceeds at once to buttress it by an æsthetic argument. "Hence the many are also better judges than the few good of works of music and the writings of poets: **some appreciate one part, some another, and all together appreciate all.**" There is a profound wisdom in those last words. It is a wisdom that leads Aristotle to trust the general judgment of ordinary men, and to trust it alike, and for the same reason, both in politics and in art. The cause of "theatreocracy" and the cause of democracy stand and fall together.

The Pundits or the Many?

The argument here advanced may appear academic and abstract. But it touches issues of lively and contemporary importance. It touches, for example, our notions of national painting and our notions of national poetry. Should painters and poets be judged by pundits and guided by pundits, and should they produce for the delectation of pundits, "the best men, the properly educated"? Or are they to be judged and guided by the many, and should they produce their works for the general delectation of the nation? Here is a grave enough question; and on its solution depends the solution of our national painting and the fate of our national poetry. It would seem to many of us that poets are nowadays writing for coteries of "the best men." Is that the right way of writing in a democratic State? Is it not a way which is false to the standards of democracy, and also (and thereby) to the standards of true æsthetics, which are linked with the standards of democracy?

But there is a simpler issue which is raised by our general argument. This is the issue of the freedom of the press—a freedom threatened by æsthetic authoritarians as well as (and perhaps even more than) by political authoritarianism. "The people read such poor stuff," one is told: "they ought to be guided and controlled in their reading." In a chapter which he wrote recently, the writer of this article remarked that the argument against much of modern journalism was that, "professing to give the people what the people wants, it gives the people something which it thinks the people wants—which is something lower than what the people actually wants." He proceeded to add that "the disease is one which cures itself, as the taste of the people asserts its true nature."

A friendly critic objected to the argument. He contended that there was "big money" invested in sensation and filth, and that it was this type of paper that one saw men and women reading most frequently. He asked whether there was not an urgent need for education in the sphere of taste, and he doubted whether the taste of the people would assert its true nature unaided. His contention, his question, his doubt, are all serious. But the fact remains that, "education in the sphere of taste" is still another name for "pedantocracy," and that pedantocracy however well-intentioned is despotism—despotism in matters of the mind, where above all there should be no compulsion.

A False Conception.

It is perfectly true that poor and nauseous stuff has been served up, and is still being served up, to the people. But that is the fault of the servers rather than that of the people. And it is with the people—and only with the people—that the cure of this fault must rest. They can be trusted. They **must** be trusted. The public must be free to swim for itself, and to choose between good and bad. The wisdom of its choice grows as popular education grows and spreads—not only in school, but also in popular and adult movements for the cultivation of music and the drama.

And anyhow the worst of all bureaucracies would be a bureaucracy of censors of taste. Let the press print never so muddily: it must not be cured that way. That way there lies a false conception of the nature and operation of æsthetic judgment, which is finally, and in the last resort, the judgment of the many. That way there also lies a denial of the basis of democracy, which is firmly set, and can only be firmly set, in the fundamental fact that if some appreciate one part, and others another, only "all together can appreciate all."

BOWLS

RED CROSS COMPETITION

Some surprising results were produced at Dane Park, Margate, when 48 players took part in a bowls drive in conjunction with the Margate Bowling Club, in aid of Red Cross Funds. The drive was very successful from a financial point of view and with subscriptions received from bowlers and friends a total of £36 4s. 6d. has been handed over to the fund.

H. J. Bayley, H. Street, H. Howard and T. Dalton (skip) were the winners, and second prize went to W. Fudge, G. Colpus, A. Bradley and S. Waldby (skip), who defeated Mrs. King, A. E. Coleman, E. E. Amos and R. Thurston (skip). F. Barnes, W. Palmer, B. J. Garraway and J. Gooderhan (skip) won the sealed number prize.

The Chief Constable (Mr. W. Palmer) presented the prizes and Mr. Cobb was thanked for giving them by Mr. Percy Snow, hon. treasurer of the Kent County Bowling Association.

In the Dane Park club's aces competition H. Foster, A. Kennard and E. Pettett successfully resisted the challenge of H. Sandwell, E. E. Amos and C. Arrow, whom they defeated 15—13, but they lost 22—21 to Mrs. King, B. N. Wells and S. R. King.

J. Lattimore and B. Ovenden beat C. J. Amos and J. Rhodes 21—17 in the final of the pairs competition. Amos and Rhodes defeated H. Sandwell and A. J. Munday 19—10 in the semi-final.

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Britain is drinking 25 per cent. more fresh milk than ever before. Her dairy farmers, like other farmers, have responded well to the nation's call for increased output to meet its vital needs, to maintain the people's health. Despite the ploughing up of six million acres of grassland and the loss of several million tons of livestock feeding stuffs for which shipping cannot be spared, dairy farmers produced in the first six months of this year over 10 million gallons more milk than they did on the average in the three pre-war years, and 13 million gallons more than last year.

The first league tables in the "Victory Churn Contest" showed that, at the end of June, 48 of the 61 countries in England and Wales had increased their milk output compared with a year ago. Of the rest seven had not fallen behind and only six had a lower output.

All this is excellent. But summer milk is not enough. It is what the nation gets this winter—next winter and the winter after that—that matters. In Parliament, the Minister of Agriculture was asked whether he was aware of the anxiety felt as to the possibility that this year's record summer milk production has been obtained at the cost of winter milk. Mr. Hudson was glad to be able to say that the suggestion appeared to be ill-founded. He pointed out that this summer's increased production had been secured from some 50,000 fewer cows in milk than there were during the corresponding period last year. On the other hand, said the Minister, the returns indicated a notable increase in the number of cows and heifers due to calve this autumn—welcome evidence that many dairy farmers had responded to the Government's wishes and made preparations for increasing winter production. Given a reasonable winter, Mr. Hudson thought we stood a reasonable chance of getting increased production.

But many more farmers must turn from summer to winter dairying if the nation is to be assured of its vital milk in future winters. And now is the time to plan. "Too late" has been the greatest single cause of farming failures in the past. Before the war "too late" only affected the farmer; in this hour of the country's peril one single "too late" affects the whole nation.

The Ministry of Agriculture leaflet "Make Sure of Winter Milk," which the farmer can get from his War Agricultural Executive Committee, outlines the plan. Briefly, it is for more autumn calvings—heifers to be bulled in November and December; proper and economical winter feeding—balanced rations to be fed to each cow according to yield; economy in rearing calves, using suitable milk substitutes, such as National Calf Starter; autumn and spring croppings to be so planned now as to provide the extra feeding stuffs needed for more autumn and winter calves.

The dairy farmer with a problem should get advice now from his War Committee and make a point of attending any local milk production demonstration.

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REGAINED FREEDOM

MARGATE SOLDIER WHO FOILED ROMMEL

An amazing story of a former Margate grocer's assistant who was taken prisoner by the Germans but regained his freedom has been told by one of Reuter's correspondents with the 8th Army on the El Alamein front.

During an Allied night thrust against Rommel's flank in the first stage of a recent panzer withdrawal, Sgt. Frank Henry John Baker, The Buffs, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Baker, of 45 Orchard-road, Margate, found himself with 11 other men from his section occupying an abandoned German trench.

"The Jerries discovered several trenches occupied by our company and started to shell them," Sgt. Baker told Reuter.

"We popped away at their gun position with Brens and rifles and were enjoying ourselves. Then came our turn.

"The Jerries rushed in instead of shelling us and we had to surrender.

"An enemy officer tried to make us understand that he wanted us to go forward on some mission.

"They shoved a towel into my hands, and it became clear that they wanted me to go through their lines to some Maoris still worrying them and call on them to surrender or be blasted out by shellfire.

"I went along and they sent one or two shots after me to make sure I went in the right direction. When I approached the Maoris they thought I was an Italian and that this was an enemy ruse, but I managed to make them understand I was English and they took me to their commanding officer.

"The Maoris just grinned when they learnt about my mission. I said 'Well, do I go back or do I stay with you?'

"I stayed, and although the Jerries opened up with all they had when they saw I was not returning, the New Zealanders stuck there, giving it back until they received the order to withdraw."

IN THE PRISON CAMPS

Lady Carson addressed about 50 next-of-kin of prisoners of war and their friends at St. George's Parish Hall, Ramsgate, on Thursday.

The meeting was arranged in connection with the Prisoners of War Department of the Red Cross and St. John War Organisation and the Vicar of Ramsgate (the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth) presided.

The W.V.S. was represented by Mrs. Blinko, Mrs. Curtis, Nurse Howells and Mrs. Morgan.

Lady Carson spoke of the life in the prison camps and showed her audience some interesting photographs.

The Vicar introduced Mrs. Farnsworth, who is head of the organisation for Ramsgate, and Mrs. Jones, the local secretary of the Prisoners of War Department, and a vote of thanks to Lady Carson was proposed by Mrs. Blinko.

A similar meeting is to be held at St. George's Parish Hall on 22nd October.

NO RATIONING HERE

RAMSGATE HORTICULTURAL SHOW

Lord Woolton's eyes would have gleamed had he entered St. Lawrence Parish Hall on Thursday.

Arranged tastefully on long tables were miniature mountains of potatoes, onions, beetroot, tomatoes, all kinds of fruit, huge marrows and succulent black grapes.

In peace-time the Ramsgate and District Horticultural Society were noted for their splendid annual shows held in High-street Drill Hall and it is just another of those little unfortunate results of war-time that these displays cannot now be held. Thursday's show was in no way a revival of the popular annual feature but a modest and successful attempt to revive interest in the organisation's activities at a time when garden produce is of more importance than ever before.

The season has not been a particularly good one for vegetables and fruit. A very cold start did not augur well for them and caterpillars have been particularly troublesome on the greenstuff, while our old enemy, the wasp, has been feeding on the pears, and maggots have done their worst with the apples.

Yet, in spite of all this, the exhibitors were able to show produce of very good quality and Mr. W. J. Sparkes, one of the judges, told our representative that they came well up to standard. The sight of such a fine collection was a reward for the labours of Mr. J. K. Massey, the energetic secretary of the society, and Mr. H. Tucker, the chairman, who, in organising it, were assisted by a willing band of committee members, both men and women.

Plucky Venture.

The show was opened by Alderman T. W. Mockridge, chairman of the Parks and Gardens Committee of Ramsgate Council, who said the society were very plucky to have embarked on such a venture. He congratulated them on a wonderful display and paid tribute to the work of Mr. Massey, Mr. G. Cullen and Mr. J. A. Taylor as co-opted members of the Allotments Sub-Committee of the Council. "They give practical help at our meetings," he said, "because they have a great knowledge of growing fruit and vegetables."

He had the opinion of a high authority that Ramsgate had done remarkably well in "obeying," or responding to the Government's wish for people to grow more food and he could tell them that the allotments and private kitchen gardens in the district numbered over 1,800. They could not tell how long the war would last—it might be some years yet—and it was good to know that people were growing more produce so that there would be no shortage of good food.

In addition to Mr. Sparkes, the judges were Mr. H. Ball (Broadstairs) and Mr. W. Beaney (Margate).

The Winners.

The results were:

Kidney potatoes—1, J. Hudson; 2, G. Simpson; 3, J. A. Petley; h.c., C. Skelton.

Round potatoes—1, H. J. Farley; 2, C. Skelton; 3, P. Piper.

Onions—1, B. W. Furborough; 2, P. Piper; 3, G. Simpson.

Carrots, beet and parsnips—1, J. Tucker; 2, J. Hudson; 3, W. Laslett.

Savoys or cabbages—1, A. Tozer; 2, B. W. Furborough; 3, C. Skelton.

Shallots—1, F. E. Carlton; 2, A. R. Betts; 3, A. E. Creese.

Runner beans—1, J. Tucker; 2, W. Laslett; 3, C. Skelton.

Tomatoes—1, J. Taylor; 2, J. Tucker; 3, J. A. Petley.

Turnips or swedes—1, W. Kennett; 2, A. Scott; 3, P. Piper.

Pair of marrows—1, C. Skelton; 2, Mrs. Spanton; 3, J. Tucker.

Collection of six varieties of vegetables—1, C. Skelton; 2, G. Simpson; 3, A. Tozer.

Apples—1, Mrs. Spanton; 2, A. Scott; 3, J. Tucker; h.c., Mrs. Doughty.

Pears—1, W. Hawkins; 2, A. Scott; 3, Castle.

Plums or damsons—1, J. Woodward; 2, A. Scott; 3, J. Tucker.

Six plates of fruit—1, W. Hudson (gardener G. Cullen); 2, J. Tucker.

Ladies' classes:

Two bottles fruit—1, Mrs. Kennett; 2, Mrs. Farley; 3, Mrs. H. Tucker; h.c., Mrs. Chandler.

Pot of home-made jam—1, Miss E. M. England; 2, Mrs. A. A. Massey; 3, Mrs. Kennett; h.c., Mrs. Farley.

War-time cake—1, Mrs. Doughty; 2, Mrs. Skelton; 3, Mrs. Setterfield; h.c., Mrs. Kennett.

Dish of six cooked potatoes—1, Mrs. A. E. Skelton; 2, Mrs. Kennett; 3, Mrs. Sanders.

Competitions were won by Mrs. Betts, Mrs. Knowles, Mr. Stone, Mrs. Marsden, Mr. Bush, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Farley, Mr. Stanley and Miss Morecroft.

RETAINING ITS IDENTITY

TRANSFER OF ST. GEORGE'S BOYS' SCHOOL

The report of the Education (General Purposes) Committee of Ramsgate Education Committee, presented at a meeting of the Education Committee on Wednesday, stated that the committee had considered the reports of the chairman of St. George's School managers (Councillor the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth) and the vice-chairman (Councillor the Rev. Harcourt Samuel) following their visit to Stafford to discuss with officers of the Staffordshire Education Committee the proposals for the alternative accommodation for St. George's Boys' School in the reception area.

The committee, stated the report, approved of the transfer of the school at a later date to Dartmouth-street Senior Boys' School. The working arrangements will enable the school to retain its identity and will be similar to those which have operated in the case of St. George's Girls' School at Stafford Riverways Senior School.

HOW RAMSGATE IS SAVING

During the last three months there has been an encouraging increase in the use of the Ramsgate Savings Centre in King-street, and now that it has been found possible to open the centre every day it is hoped that all savers will make the fullest use of its facilities.

The centre has been open just over a year, since July, 1941, and during the first 13 months, excluding Warship Week in March, there was a turnover of £6,041. Monthly turnovers ranged from £269 to £1,084, the latter record figure being reached in October last year. Over the whole period the average weekly business has been in the neighbourhood of £100, but during July and August this was increased by nearly a third. As the advantages of the centre become more widely known to the general public it is confidently anticipated that the average will be further raised.

NOT SAFE IN REMAND HOME

BOY'S FIFTH ESCAPE

TO BE DETAINED IN PRISON

Having accomplished his fifth escape from a remand home, a 16-year-old Ramsgate boy who, as reported last week, admitted having been drunk and disorderly, again appeared before the magistrates at Ramsgate juvenile court on Thursday.

The police made application, under the Children and Young Persons' Act, that the order made on Monday committing him to be detained at a remand home should be varied, on the grounds that he was of such an unruly character that he could not safely be detained at the home, and that he should be committed to prison.

Acting Chief Inspr. Hicks said that having been taken back to the remand home on Monday the boy escaped at nine o'clock the following morning. He had escaped from the home four times previously.

"The superintendent informs us that his behaviour is having such a bad effect upon the other boys that it is impossible to keep him in detention. Before leaving he stole 30s., the property of one of the masters. Since his return to Ramsgate he has broken into a house and stolen the pair of trousers he is now wearing. It is obvious he cannot properly be detained in a remand home. I make application that he be detained in prison at Maidstone," said the acting chief inspector.

The Clerk (Mr. E. A. Knight): You have given as much trouble as you possibly could.

The boy: I have not given much trouble up there.

The Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) said the boy would be remanded to Maidstone prison until he could be taken to an approved school.

"I have nothing to add to what I said on Monday," continued Mr. Perry. "You are a thoroughly bad lot."

On hearing the decision of the bench the boy's mother burst into tears.

CHILDREN COME BACK

TWICE AS MANY IN RAMSGATE AS IN STAFFORD

There are twice as many children on the roll of Ramsgate schools as there are Ramsgate children in the official reception area in Staffordshire.

On Friday the number on the roll at Ramsgate was 1,494 and the number of Ramsgate elementary school children in Staffordshire was 749.

Children have been returning to Ramsgate at the rate of about 20 a week but less than 50 per cent. of this number are from the official reception area. They are returning from all parts of the country to which they were evacuated by their parents.

At one time the number of elementary Ramsgate "evacuees" in Staffordshire was over 2,500. This number, apart from those who have returned to Ramgsate, has been reduced by children leaving school and children leaving the official reception area to join their parents in other parts of the country.

For the week ended 17th April—the first week of the summer term—the number of children on the roll at Ramgsate schools was 1,119. By 31st July the number had risen to 1,368.

When the present term began on 1st September the number was 1,447 and during the first fortnight increased to 1,494.

As the children return, teachers are brought back from the reception area to meet the position at Ramsgate.

KILLED IN MIDDLE EAST

DEATH OF ST. PETER'S MAN

A grocer's assistant in Ramsgate before the war, Cpl. Arthur George Pointer, The Buffs, son of Mrs. A. Pointer, of 34 Magdala-road, St. Peter's, was killed in action during fighting in the Middle East on 3rd-4th September.

Mrs. Pointer has recently received from her son an airmail letter written the day before his death.

Twenty-three years of age, Cpl. Pointer is an old boy of St. Peter's School and played both cricket and football for St. Peter's Old Boys' Club.

Cpl. Pointer took part in the fighting in France and was evacuated at the time of Dunkirk. In March of this year he was married to Miss Joan Hathaway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Hathaway, formerly of 57 Westover-road St. Peter's, and now living at Oldham. He was drafted to the Middle East the following month.

25 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

THE WAR OF 1914-18

Following the receipt of a petition signed by 336 people asking for the siren to be sounded at night in the case of air raids, Ramsgate Town Council held a special meeting on Monday. By an overwhelming majority they decided not to sound the siren at all hours of the night and there is to be a public meeting to explain more fully to the inhabitants the circumstances surrounding the question.

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A number of serious cases of "mustard gas" have been received among the last convoy at Nethercourt Hospital. The men are being skilfully treated but extensive burns caused by this inhuman form of warfare make the cases particularly distressing.

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Mr. Henry Blythe Hammond, one of the senior members of the Ramsgate bench, passed away on Monday. A former member of Ramsgate Council, he had in more recent years chiefly concerned himself with the work of the borough and county benches and for many years was chairman of the licensing justices.

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It is announced that Capt. Arthur W. Matthews, who has commanded B (Ramsgate) Company, Kent Volunteer Regiment since the force has been officially recognised, has been posted to the permanent staff. His successor in the company command will be Capt. T. Horne.

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Another well-known tradesman, Councillor W. L. Nash, of High-street, Broadstairs, is closing his business for the duration of the war. We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Nash and their family are leaving the town and that he will take up work of national importance.

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Mr. Reuben Fracombe, who was one of the few survivors of Capt. Nares' Arctic expedition, died at his residence in Upper Dumpton Park-road, Ramsgate, on Wednesday.

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The Rev. E. P. V. Luffman preaches his farewell sermons at Ramsgate on Sunday.

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50 YEARS AGO

(CUTTINGS FROM OUR COLUMNS)

POLICE OUTING

The annual outings of Ramsgate police force took place on Tuesday and Thursday. On the first day the party numbered about 50, including Chief Constable Buss, Inspr. Ross, Sgts. Wilson and Cox and one half of the force. The chairman of the Watch Committee (Alderman Sykes), Councillors Whales and Edwards, Mr. Hubbard (Town Clerk) and Messrs. J. J. Roach, J. Proctor, H. Thornton, H. Bowman, W. Millard and J. Neale were also present. The party travelled by the South-Eastern Railway to Maidstone, two comfortable saloons having been provided for their use by the stationmaster, Mr. Trowbridge. Dinner was served in the Rose and Crown, Alderman Sykes taking the chair. When the second contingent travelled to Maidstone on Thursday Alderman Sykes presented Mr. Buss with a silver cruet-stand on behalf of the visitors in recognition of the able manner in which he had discharged his onerous duties for so many years.

HAINE HOSPITAL

The infection hospital to be erected by the Thanet sanitary authorities in place of the inadequate buildings at Northwood will be immediately outside the Ramsgate district. The site is in an isolated part known as the World's Wonder and extends to 6½ acres. It is believed that the total cost of the land and buildings will be at least £10,000.

DISAPPEARED FROM BOAT

A young man visiting Margate hired a boat on Wednesday afternoon and rowed out of the harbour into the Roads. He handled the oars well and gave the boatman the impression that he was an experienced oarsman. Some time afterwards the boat was seen drifting and as no occupant could be observed the owner took another boat and rowed out to it, only to find that the man had disappeared. He had left his cap and over 30s. in the boat with a note requesting that the boatman should be paid out of the money he had left. Several other boats were in the vicinity at the time but no one saw anything of the strange occurrence. The name of the man is unknown and so far the body has not been recovered.

THE JOLLY BOYS

Among the numerous societies with which Broadstairs is blessed there is one which goes under the charming name of "The Jolly Boys." The "bhoys" in question, desirous of keeping up their reputation, subscribed for a little outing and on Thursday the event came off with great eclat. The party, under the direction of Mr. A. Jones, of the Railway Hotel, drove to Canterbury, and notwithstanding the somewhat unfavourable weather, the jolly boys spent a jolly day.

MARGATE AIRMAN KILLED

ACCIDENT IN U.S.A.

Ldg. Acm. Victor Holman, R.A.F., son of Mrs. Hancock and the late Mr. W. Holman, of High-street, Margate, had almost completed his training as a pilot in the U.S.A. when he was killed in a flying accident.

Last week his mother received a telegram informing her of the tragedy.

Twenty-three years of age, Ldg. Acm. Holman was called up shortly before the outbreak of war and for two years served in the Royal Artillery. He volunteered for transfer to the R.A.F. a year ago and after receiving elementary flying training in this country was sent to America early this year.

An old boy of Holy Trinity and Pettman Central Schools, Ldg. Acm. Holman was engaged to be married to Miss Sheila Fleet, daughter of Chief Inspr. H. B. Fleet, of Margate Borough Police Force.

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MARGATE'S MAYOR ELECT

UNANIMOUS CHOICE OF COUNCILLOR F. J. CORNFORD

Councillor Frederick James Cornford will succeed Alderman G. P. Hoare as Mayor of Margate on 9th November.

The choice was made at a private meeting of the Town Council on Wednesday. Councillor Cornford was the only nomination and the voting was unanimous.

Councillor Cornford would probably have been Mayor two years ago but ill-health prevented him from letting his name go forward.

A native of Birchington, Councillor Cornford is 60 years of age. He is a son of the late Mr. J. Cornford, who was at one time in charge of Quex Park Gardens, Birchington, and later in business in the town as a nurseryman.

After attending Birchington Church School and Margate Commercial School, Councillor Cornford was articled to Mr. C. J. Reeve, the Margate architect, and then spent some years in London. During this time he was associated with the building of the original Strand Palace Hotel. Returning to Thanet in 1910, he opened up in practise at Westgate.

Councillor Cornford is a Licentiate of the Royal Institute of British Architects, a Member of the Institute of Structural Engineers, and a Fellow of the Faculty of Architects.

Former Council Clerk.

Councillor Cornford's interest in local government goes back to before the last war. He served for three terms as a member of Westgate Parish Council between 1913 and 1935, when Westgate was incorporated with Margate. For 20 years he was Clerk to Birchington Parish Council and he held the posts of assistant overseer at Birchington, overseer at Westgate and he was a member of the Joint Burial Board, of which he was chairman in 1920.

In the last war Councillor Cornford enlisted in the Artists Rifles. He was afterwards commissioned in the Royal Garrison Artillery but was invalided out owing to a serious illness.

Councillor Cornford has been a representative of Westgate on Margate Town Council since the incorporation in 1935. He has been vice-chairman of several committees and chairman of the Parks Committee for two years. He is keenly interested in education, being vice-chairman of the Education Committee. He is a foundation manager of Westgate Church School and a manager of Birchington Church School.

Councillor Cornford passed through the chair of Westgate Chamber of Commerce and in 1939 was president of the East Kent Federation of Chambers of Commerce.

Mrs. Cornford, the Mayoress-elect, was born in Margate, a daughter of the late Mr. F. A. Lilley. She is head of the firm of Benefield and Cornford, estate agents, of Westgate and Birchington, and is a Fellow of the Association of Landed Property Agents.

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Mothers to Blame

RECEIVED ARTICLES TAKEN BY THEIR CHILDREN

Eleven sheets, five towels and two dusters were exhibited in a case at Ramsgate county juvenile court on Tuesday.

Three St. Nicholas-at-Wade girls, aged 8, 9 and 11 years, the latter two sisters, were alleged to have stolen the articles from a hospital between 31st July and 20th August, and at Ramsgate county police court later in the morning the two mothers of the children were charged with receiving some of them, knowing them to have been stolen.

The girls all admitted the offences and Mr. E. R. G. Weale, who prosecuted, outlined the circumstances of the cases. A check of the stores at the hospital, he said, revealed that the articles were missing and the homes of the children were later visited. The youngest girl made a statement in which she described how, accompanied by the other children, she put her hand through a window and removed some of the articles.

The children were bound over for two years in the sum of £2 each.

Both the mothers pleaded guilty to the receiving charges in respect of seven sheets, three towels and two dusters, and Mr. Weale said they had made statements to the police in which they said the children brought the articles home and were told by them to return them. They had intended to do so.

Mr. Weale said the fact that if there were no receivers there would be no stealers was very true in this case for the children had stolen articles which were no earthly use to them but were useful to their parents. Thanks to the assiduity of the police all the articles had been recovered. The mothers had told the children they would have to take the articles back but it was the duty of the mothers to have returned them.

Addressing the women, the Chairman (Mr. W. Booth Reeve) said it was a pity they did not take more energetic steps to return the articles. "If it ever happens again," he said, "you must return them at once."

Defendants were bound over for two years in the sum of £5 each.

A charge against the sister of one of the defendants for receiving four sheets and two towels was adjourned sine die owing to her illness.

FLT./SGT. SHARMAN KILLED IN ACTION

Official intimation has been received that Flt./Sgt. Gordon John Sharman, who was reported missing in air activity over Germany on 8th June, has been killed in action.

An old boy of St. George's Central School, Ramsgate, Flt./Sgt. Sharman, who was 23 years of age, was the son of Mrs. G. Sharman, of London-road, St. Leonards, and of the late Mr. Walter G. Sharman, of Ramsgate.

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Shepherds Pie.

1lb. of meat roll
2lbs. of mashed potatoes
½lb. of tomatoes
½ teaspoonful of dried sage
½ pint of thick gravy
1 tablespoonful of dripping

Chop the meat small and mix it with the gravy and sage. Melt the dripping and run it round a piedish. Fill the dish with layers of potato, meat and gravy mixture and thinly sliced tomato. Begin and end with potato. Brush the top of the pie with dripping. Bake in a moderate oven for 30 minutes to get hot right through. Serve with home-made pickled walnuts.

Savoury Tornados.

1lb. of roll, cut into 1in. thick slices
2-3 large apples
1½lbs. of well mashed potatoes
3 tablespoonsful of dripping.
½ teaspoonful of mustard
A pinch of salt
1 tablespoonful of gravy powder
½ pint of stock

Cut the apples into thick slices, core but do not peel. Form the mashed potatoes into cakes the size of the apple rings. Melt the dripping in a baking tin or flat casserole, put in the potato cakes, on each put a slice of meat, then one of apple. Baste with the dripping and bake in a moderate oven until the apple is tender but not pulpy.

Mix mustard, sage and gravy powder together smoothly, bring it to the boil, dish up the tornados and pour the gravy over.

To make delicious **Hasty Pies**, cut pastry into rounds, place slices of roll and apple, moistened with savoury gravy between the rounds, pinch them together securely and bake in a moderate oven. These are also good for carried luncheons.

Baked Meat Roll with Sliced Potatoes.

1lb. of meat roll
1½lbs. of par-boiled potatoes
1 small onion cut into slices and broken into little rings
1 tablespoonful of margarine
½ pint of household milk
Salt and pepper and
½ teaspoonful of sweet herbs or a small bayleaf

Grease a fireproof dish or piedish, lay the sliced meat in it and between the slices put the onion rings, herbs and seasoning, or the bayleaf broken into small pieces. Cover with a thick layer of sliced potatoes, pour in the milk, dot with magarine, and bake in a moderate oven until the top potatoes are golden brown. Add more milk if the dish appears to be dry during the cooking.

For sandwich spreads, mash the meat with chopped pickle or chutney, or mashed potato and chopped parsley.

SHOCK FOR HOUSEHOLDER

FOUND SOLDIER ASLEEP ON SOFA

A remand until Wednesday was ordered by the magistrates at Margate police court on Monday when Gnr. Graham Maurice Beaumont, aged 23, stationed at Broadstairs, was charged with being found on enclosed premises with intent to steal.

P/S Galer said that at 7.25 a.m. on Sunday he went to 89 Glencoe-road, Margate, where he saw defendant detained by Mr. George Bilcliffe, the occupier, who told him he had just come downstairs and found the man asleep on the sofa. He did not know him and he had no right to be there. When asked by witness for an explanation, defendant said "I left Dreamland dance hall about half-past ten last night with the intention of walking to my unit at Broadstairs. I had had some drink and lost my way. I found the back door open so I entered and went to sleep." In reply to the charge defendant said "I did not enter with the intention of stealing."

On the application of D/I Cory, defendant was remanded on bail.

BLACK-OUT TO-DAY FROM 7.14 p.m. TILL 6.28 a.m.

RAMSGATE

Estimates for Removal or Storage.—Hardings, 3 Staffordshire-street, Turner-street, Ramsgate.

Whist Drives held every evening at Ramsgate Working Men's Club, Chatham-place, at 7 p.m., in aid of the Red Cross Fund. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

Whist Drives every Thursday at 3 p.m., at the Gymnasium, Clarendon House, Ramsgate, in aid of Red Cross Fund and Mayor's Services Comforts Fund alternately. Admission 1s. Good prizes.

Diphtheria Immunisation.—A recent canvas has shown that 52·1 per cent. of the school population of Ramsgate has been immunised against diptheria, either in Ramsgate or during evacuation.

Christ Church Sick Club.—The Rev. P. M. Townend will preside at the annual meeting of members of Christ Church Sick Club, to be held in the Centenary Hall, Hardres-street, Ramsgate, at 4.15 p.m. on Saturday, 10th October.

National Savings.—National savings in Ramsgate for the week which ended on 19th September amounted to £3,260, comprising an increase of £1,659 in deposits in the Post Office Savings Bank, £1,401 in savings certificates and £200 in defence bonds.

Handicraft Instruction.—Arrangements have been made for instruction for Ramsgate elementary school children in woodwork and domestic subjects at St. George's Handicraft Room and Ellington Domestic Centre.

You cannot do better than take anything you have to sell to an old-established firm. Prosser and Newbery buy old gold, jewellery, silver plate, glass, cutlery, etc. Licensed valuers. 47 and 48 Queen-street, Ramsgate.

Children's Footwear.—Ramsgate Education Committee have expressed to the Mayor (Alderman A. B. C. Kempe) their grateful thanks for a gift of £150 for the establishment of a fund to provide footwear for necessitous school children in Ramsgate.

School's Excellent Report.—Ramsgate Education Committee have expressed their gratification on reading the excellent report of the Diocesan Inspector on Gnosall School, Staffordshire. The school is staffed solely by Ramsgate teachers, Mr. W. O. Davies, a member of Ramsgate Education Committee, being the head teacher.

Wedding.—The wedding took place at Holy Cross Church, Greenford, last week, of Mr. David Oliver Holland, B.Sc., only son of Mrs. N. L. Holland and the late Mr. H. Holland, of Surrey House, East Cliff, Ramsgate, and Miss Peggy Evelyn Witherell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Witherell, of Ingram-way, Greenford, Middlesex. The bridegroom is an old boy of Chatham House School, Ramsgate.

Death of Pte. A. B. Howells.—The death occurred at Guy's Hospital, Sevenoaks, of Pte. Arthur Brynley Howells, The Buffs, late of Roman-road, Northwood. Forty-two years of age, Pte. Howells lived in Ramsgate from 1927 until he joined the services. He was formerly employed at Chislet Colliery and was a prominent member of Ramsgate Male Voice Choir. The funeral took place at Ramsgate Cemetery on Saturday.

BROADSTAIRS

Black and White.—Well-known to Broadstairs peace-time visitors as a popular member of Uncle Mack's Minstrels, "Uncle Jack" has been appearing at the Coventry Hippodrome—without a black face.

Allotment Officers.—Councillor B. Humphrey has been elected chairman and president, Mr. W. Sizer secretary and Mr. F. Ward treasurer of the recently-formed Broadstairs Allotment Holders' Association.

Unscreened Light.—A fine of 10s. was imposed by the magistrates at the Cinque Ports police court, Margate, on Monday, on Mrs. Ethel Cheesemore, of Rumfields-road, Broadstairs, for allowing an unscreened light to show during the hours of darkness.

Comrades' Whist.—At a whist drive held by the Broadstairs branch of the Royal Naval Old Comrades' Association at the Rose Inn, the prizes were won by Mr. Thirkettle, Miss Wing, Mrs. May, Mr. Pallant, Pte. Jackson, Mr. Admans, Miss Bowers and Mr. Pointer.

Final Effort Wanted.—If Broadstairs and St. Peter's are to attain their target of £11,000 in the "Tanks for Attack" campaign they will have to realise £2,158 this week. For the week which ended on 19th September £1,076 was raised and comprised savings certificates, £503 and net deposits in the Post Office Savings Bank £573.

Win For Artillery.—A Royal Artillery XI defeated Broadstairs C.C. by 29 runs at St. Peter's Recreation Ground. Batting by Gnr. Jackson (40) and Gnr. Russ (27 not out) helped to take the soldiers' score to 104 before they declared with five wickets down. A brisk 35 by H. Shepherd was the best contribution to the Broadstairs total of 75.

Red Cross Whist.—Mr. R. Lawrence was M.C. at the weekly whist drive in aid of Red Cross Funds held at the Rose Inn, Broadstairs, on Friday. Thirteen tables were in play and the prizewinners were Mrs. Bing and Mrs. Philpott, Gnr. Mace and Gnr. Shingleton, Mr. and Mrs. H. Strevens, Gnr. Johnson and Gnr. Proudlock, Mr. R. Lawrence and Mrs. Goldsack, Mrs. Price and Miss Daniels.

Good Templar Harvest.—The Good Templar Hall, Edge End-road, Broadstairs, was tastefully decorated on Tuesday when the Star of the East Lodge, I.O.G.T., held their harvest thanksgiving. Mrs. O. E. Fennell, C.T., presided and an address was given by the Vicar of St. Lawrence (the Rev. J. H. Roundhill). Solos were rendered by Miss Vyse, Mr. A. Bayford and Pte. H. Davis, and Mr. A. B. Impett, P.D.S.J.W., conducted the intercession service. The proceeds were devoted to the Good Templar and Temperance Orphanage, Sunbury-on-Thames.

BIRCHINGTON MAN MISSING

Ten days after receiving a telegram from her son, Pte. Alfred Victor Stringer, The Buffs, son of Mrs. Stringer and the late Mr. G. J. Stringer, of Dennett's-cottages, Birchington, saying he was well and happy, Mrs. Stringer received a letter from the War Office informing her that her son had been posted as missing in the Middle East on 3rd-4th September.

Twenty-one years of age, Pte. Stringer was posted to the Middle East six months ago. He was an old boy of Birchington Church of England School, a popular member of Birchington Old Scholars' Club and for three years sang in the choir at the parish church.

Difficulties of Administration

COUNCIL STAFF OFFICE HOURS

The question of office hours and annual leave of the administrative and clerical staffs was considered at a recent meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee of Ramsgate Town Council.

The Minister of Labour and National Service suggested that more personnel might be released for industry and the fighting forces if longer hours were worked by office staffs generally throughout the country.

The committee came to the conclusion that no further releases could be effected by working the staff for longer hours.

The report of the committee, to be presented at a meeting of the Town Council on Thursday, states that the Southern Home Counties Provincial Council for the Professional, Technical, Administrative and Clerical Services of Local Authorities recommended that if increased hours were agreed upon overtime at plain rates of salary should be paid between 39 and 46 hours per week and at one and a quarter plain time rates between 46 and 52 hours per week.

The Ministry emphasised that increase of hours of work was only asked for and indeed was only justied if the volume of work to be done justified the increase and pointed out that it would be particularly undesirable for example in the case of an office to keep the clerical staff at the place of business for longer hours except where this could result in a smaller number of staff being able to cope with the same amount of business.

No Economy.

The committee were informed that the heads of departments had conferred on the matter and that they were satisfied that the release of staffs for the armed forces had already been effected to such an extent that no further releases could be made by working the staff (now including numbers of temporary employees) for longer hours.

Difficulty in administration was already being experienced in most departments caused by the calling up of trained administrative and technical staffs who could not be effectively replaced.

Work to be carried out by temporary and junior members of the staff often originated in the work of the senior administrative staff and if this senior staff was depleted the difficulties could not be overcome by keeping the whole of the office staff for longer hours.

"The recognised office hours," states the report, "are 9.15 a.m. to 5.15 p.m. and 9.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on Saturdays but it is the practice for overtime to be worked as occasion demands without extra payment. In exceptional circumstances the Council from time to time grant payment for overtime.

"Authorised holidays vary from four weeks in the case of chief officials to two weeks in the case of junior staffs but since the outbreak of war chief officers and senior staff have voluntarily limited themselves to not more than two weeks holiday except in one or two cases where consideration of health has justified a longer period.

"Comparatively few applications for deferment have been made where staffs of military age have been called up under the Military Service Acts and already 47 of the administrative and clerical staffs have joined the forces and several more will join in the near future."

The committee recommend that no alteration be made in the present arrangements.

MARGATE

Lifeboat Flag Day.—A flag day collection held at Margate recently on behalf of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, realised £127 5s. 3d., exceeding last year's total by £12.

Thank-Offering Day.—The sum of £128 was received as a result of the thank-offering day held recently at Margate Parish Church. St. Mary's Church, Northdown, contributed just over £20 to the total.

Cadet Instructors.—Cadet (1st Class) R. E. W. Jordan of Margate, has been appointed aircraft recognition sub-instructor to Minster Flight of the A.T.C., and Cadet (1st Class) D. R. Simms is now wireless and electrical theory sub-instructor to the Margate Flights.

Teachers Return.—Miss M. J. Mann, one of the teachers who left the service of Margate Education Committee in 1940 to go to Staffordshire, has now been re-engaged and has returned to Holy Trinity School. Arrangements are being made to bring more teachers back from Staffordshire.

Margate Legacies.—Margate and District General Hospital, the Alexandra Philanthropic Homes, Margate District Nursing Association and Margate Ambulance Corps each receive £2,185 under the will of Dr. Henry Gould, of 8 Price's-avenue, Margate, who died several years ago. Following the death of Mrs. Gould in 1940 the residue of the estate became divisible and has now been shared by the charities named.

School Attendance.—At last week's meeting of Margate Education Committee the chairman (Alderman W. C. Redman) emphasised the committee's determination to make children attend school regularly. He said that many had missed through no fault of their own a large part of their education and attendance would have to be enforced to give youngsters a fair chance. There are now 1,232 children on the rolls of Margate elementary schools and the average attendance during the week ending 19th September was 87·3 per cent.

Wedding.—Miss Margaret Amelia Shrubshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Shrubshall, of Westview, Gordon-road, Westwood, was married at Hearsall Baptist Church, Coventry, to Cpl. Bernard Dean Kemp, son of Mrs. McLeland, of Strood. The bride wore a gown of white satin charmeuse and carried a bouquet of pink and cream roses and white heather. The bridesmaids were the Misses Evelyn Hart, Margaret Pettitt and Shirley Pettitt (cousins) and Rosemary McLeland (sister of the bridegroom). Pte. J. Harris was best man and the bride's brother and Sgt. J. Unwin, of British Columbia, her cousin, were grooms. The honeymoon was spent in North Wales.

MILITARY BALL

Another of the popular military balls in aid of the Mayor of Ramsgate's Troops Comforts Fund is to be held at the West Cliff Theatre, Ramsgate, on Thursday.

Since the war the West Cliff Theatre has proved an extremely popular rendezvous for dancing and the military balls among the most popular evenings.

Music will again be provided by Fred Hargraves and his dance orchestra and dancing will continue until 12.30 a.m.

There will be a fully licensed bar.

Tickets, price 2s. 6d., can be obtained at the box office at the theatre or from the Mayor's secretary (Mrs. D. Peete) at Clarendon House.

ALDERMAN'S SON SAFE

PRISONER IN ITALIAN HANDS

Son of Alderman W. Hawkins, of Crescent-road, Ramsgate, Gnr. Rodney W. Hawkins, R.A., who was reported missing since 20th June, is now known to be a prisoner of war.

Alderman Hawkins received a notification on Friday that, according to an unofficial foreign list, Gnr. Hawkins is a prisoner in Italian hands.

Educated at Chatham House School, Gnr. Hawkins is 23 years of age and after going to the Middle East he saw service in Greece. From there he went to Crete, was safely evacuated and then took part in the Libyan campaign which began in November last.

In peace-time Gnr. Hawkins was a civil servant in London!

MANY HAPPY RETURNS

MRS. STOKES' 104TH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Clarissa Stokes, of 10 Dundonald-road, Ramsgate, spent a busy time opening letters and telegrams on Sunday morning.

Her "fan mail" marked the 104th anniversary of her birthday and when she had read them and inspected her numerous presents from admiring relatives and friends she received two distinguished visitors—the Mayor and Mayoress (Alderman and Mrs. A. B. C. Kempe). In a charming manner she greeted them in a room beautifully decorated with flowers.

Despite her great age, Mrs. Stokes still retains her faculties, apart from the fact that she is slightly—and only slightly—hard of hearing. The passage of years has had little effect on her amazing energy and there is nothing she enjoys more than her strolls into Ellington Park.

Mrs. Stokes formerly lived at 28 Dundonald-road, but she now resides with Mr. and Mrs. Gibbens at No. 10. Very independent, she still insists on doing most of her own work and takes great pride in the tidiness of her bedroom.

Although she lives only a few yards from one of the tunnel entrances, Mrs. Stokes is not in the least concerned about air raid sirens and never troubles to take shelter. If the siren sounds at night she remains in her bed.

When Mrs. Stokes celebrated her 103rd birthday last year she received a telegram of congratulation from the King and Queen.

Since the very first issue in 1859 Mrs. Stokes has been a reader of the ADVERTISER & ECHO and she still reads to-day with the aid of a magnifying glass.

Until 13 years ago she assisted in the open-air services held by the Cavendish Baptist Church, Ramsgate, and she thought nothing of walking as far as Margate to distribute tracts.

ODEON TALENT

"DISCOVERIES" ON THE STAGE

Odeon patrons were again treated to a first-class stage show in addition to the usual screen programme on Friday.

The star turn was Dvr. Rawkins, R.A.S.C., a talented singer, who was given such a great ovation that he is being booked for a repeat performance. His singing of "Anniversary waltz" and "When Irish eyes are smiling" was delightful and, led by his bright personality, the audience joined heartily in the choruses.

Pte. Surtees and Pte. Lyons, two of the Odeon's "discoveries," put on a good show, the former giving a piano selection and the latter accompanying himself in songs.

Two child entertainers received a good hand-clap. Hilda Richards, who has come to be known as "Ramsgate's Shirley Temple," put over songs made famous by the young film star, and 14-year-old Jean Willis, making her very first appearance in public, sang two songs and led community singing.

Mr. G. F. Websper, of Margate, revealed himself as a second Billy Bennett and another very popular item was a Tauber selection by Mr. A. J. Mercer, tenor, also of Margate.

Patrons will be sorry to know that it was the last appearance—for some time at any rate—of Mr. Reginald Taney, who has been called up for military service. Mr. Taney has accompanied most of the artistes who have appeared recently at the Odeon, and given some enjoyable piano solos.

Next Friday's stage show promises to be a jolly performance for it is being given by the concert party and band of "D" Division, N.F.S., by kind permission of the officers. Auditions for new shows are going well ahead.

PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. J. Blinko sincerely thank all those friends who have so kindly expressed their pleasure on hearing of the safety (after nine months silence) of their elder son and daughter-in-law, interned at Manila, Philippine Islands.

They are very thankful and hope that all who now wait for news may soon have their anxiety relieved as happily.

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DAR-VITA Wheaten CRISPBREAD

On Service

NEWS OF THANET MEN AND WOMEN

Mr. W. Foad, of 18 Upper Dumpton Park-road, Ramsgate, is justly proud of the fact that he has six sons serving in this war. All of them are in The Buffs, all are old boys of Hereson School, and two are now prisoners of war. Pte. William Foad, aged 29, was with the 2nd Battalian during the retreat towards Dunkirk, but after being wounded was captured and is now in Germany. His brother, Cpl. Geoffrey Foad, was with him in an ambulance over a long distance but finally they were forced to part after a narrow escape from the Germans who entered the front of a house while they left through the back of the building. Thirty-one years of age, Geoffrey returned safely from Dunkirk and he is now in Egypt. Jack, their 27-year-old brother, who was serving with the 1st Battalion, was captured in the Middle East over a year ago and is a prisoner in German hands. He was serving with the regular Army in peace-time and since going to India seven years ago has not seen his home. Before the war he was sent to Palestine during the riots. L/Cpl. Fred Foad, aged 24, was a Terrier in peace-time and was called up at the outbreak of war. He served in France, came back to England soon after the capitulation, and is now with the 4th Battalion in Malta, where his chief grouse is the absence of beer. Eldest of the brothers, Pte. Albert Foad, aged 37, is in the Pioneer Corps and has just spent a leave in Ramsgate, while Dvr. Harry Foad, of the R.A.S.C., has arrived in the Middle East.

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The hospitality extended by a South African family to Harry Foad is just another example of the way in which our boys are being entertained overseas. His father has received a letter from Mr. Robert Gibson, of Cape Town, saying that he has entertained Harry to dinner three times during his short stay in the town. "I think he and his pals enjoyed themselves," says Mr. Gibson, "and as the weather was not too kind to them they probably found it better than wandering about the town. When the lads are passing I usually try to take some home with me. We have our own son away in the Navy. He has been about 12 months in British and northern waters and, strange to say, he has been befriended by some Kentish people living at Beckenham. So by having your son we are just repaying Kentish hospitality." Mr. Gibson, who encloses a snap of Harry and his pals with the family, says the Ramsgate man is looking very well and had quite an uneventful trip out.

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Mr. H. Tucker, of 107 Ellington-road, Ramsgate, chairman of the Ramsgate and District Horticultural Society, has two sons serving in the Middle East. After being in the field Sgt. Leslie Tucker, R.A., who is 26 years of age, is now back at a base in Egypt. He has previously served in Iraq and Crete. His 23-year-old brother, L/Cpl. Robert Tucker, is with the Army Pay Corps in Palestine and although he is fed up with the sight of sand he wouldn't mind seeing Ramsgate sands again. Recently he had an enjoyable seven-days' leave in Haifa.

You like to have news from your sons and daughters in the forces—so do we. We invite you to pass on their stories to us so that their friends may know how they are getting along.

After volunteering for the R.A.F. three times and for the Army four times, Reginald Silk, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Silk, of Flete-road, Margate, has been called up and is training in the Royal Armoured Corps. An old boy of Manston School, he was a lance-corporal in the Home Guard.

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Sig. Cyril Shepherd, of Broadstairs, news of whom has already appeared in "On Service," has undergone a cartilage operation while serving with the Royal Corps of Signals in India. The operation was very successful and he is now able to play tennis and cricket again.

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Albert Bridgeland and Ronald Patching, two of Margate's policemen recently called up, have completed their initial training as gunners in the Royal Artillery and are going on a course. William Tawse, another policeman, who entered the Royal Navy as artificer, has been appointed acting chief petty officer.

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This week-end a member of the staff received an airgraph letter from a former colleague, Sgt. Dennis Addington, who is with the R.A.F. in the Middle East. In the letter, which was written two weeks previously, Sgt. Addington, who is a wireless operator-air gunner, said the flies were more nuisance than the war.

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Sgt. Wilfred Sackett, R.A.F., formerly of our advertising department, was on leave last week and gave us news of some of his fellow Old St. Georgians. L/S/A George Claxton, who took part in the hunt for the Bismarck, is in Northern Ireland, and Gordon Claxton has recently joined the Army Co-operation section of the R.A.F. Harry Lawford, not an Old St. Georgian, but well-known in Ramsgate, is a sub-lieutenant in the Royal Navy and recently married Miss Winnie Claxton, George's sister, of Hollicondane-road, Ramsgate. He has had four survivors' leaves since joining the service.

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His friends at Ramsgate Oddfellows' Club, where he was a popular figure until four years ago, will be interested to know that Flt./Sgt. Wallie Bunce is now back in this country from the Middle East. In a letter to Mr. A. A. Drayson, secretary of the club, Wallie says "Mrs. Bunce and co. were with me until the Italians had a go and they were then whisked off to Palestine, where they lived for seven months. After that they were taken to South Africa and I picked them up on the way home. The journey was quite uneventful." Wallie is now in the Midlands.

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Sgt./Major Jack Brown, R.A., who is stationed in the South of England, is on leave in Ramsgate. He is a son of B/S/M George Brown, now a prisoner of war in Germany, whose wife lives in High-street.

CAPT. M. C. C. DANIEL

DEATH OF RAMSGATE SOLICITOR

His many friends will regret to learn of the death, which occurred on Thursday, of Capt. Martin Charles Campbell Daniel, of Charlton Lodge, St. Mildred's-road, Ramsgate.

It will be recalled that Capt. Daniel was taken seriously ill in May while serving with the R.A.S.C. in the Middle East and was flown to England. He was admitted to St. George's Hospital and left there a short time ago to spend a few weeks with his father, Mr. Kenyon Daniel, of 15 Vale-square, Ramsgate, who is temporarily living at Lechlade, Gloucestershire. He returned to St. George's Hospital and was later transferred to the Royal Masonic Hospital, Ravenscourt Park.

A partner in the firm of Messrs. K. and C. Daniel, solicitors, of Effingham-street, Ramsgate, Capt. Daniel was 37 years of age and after being educated at Rugby and New College, Oxford, where he gained his B.A. in law, began his career at Ramsgate. He was admitted as a solicitor in December, 1929, and was also for some time the youngest notary public in the country. Capt. Daniel was a member of the fifth generation of a family who have practised law in Ramsgate. The 150th anniversary of of the foundation of the firm is being celebrated this year.

He leaves a widow, formerly Miss Patricia M. Hayden, adopted daughter of Mrs. Deveson and the late Mr. S. Deveson, of Ramsgate, and two young children, to whom the deepest sympathy is extended.

Capt. Daniel will be greatly missed in Rotary circles for he had been a member of the Ramsgate Rotary Club since 1933 and was president in 1938-39. A very popular member, he had served on all the committees and represented the Ramsgate club at district conferences.

All-Round Sportsman.

A good all-round sportsman, Capt. Daniel was chiefly noted as a cricketer and for many years he was captain of the Broadstairs C.C. A capable batsman and bowler, he could be relied upon for useful work in the field also. At one time he was captain of the old Butterflies C.C. and was also a member of I Zingari, the M.C.C., the Free Foresters and Band of Brothers, a Kent county club.

Capt. Daniel was a member of the committee of the Kent County Cricket Club and he was responsible for bringing minor county cricket to Broadstairs. While at Rugby, where he became a Greek scholar, Capt. Daniel played cricket for the 1st XI for three years.

He was a member of both Royal St. George's and St. Augustine's Golf Clubs and also played hockey and squash.

Keenly interested in the welfare of the unemployed, Capt. Daniel played an important part in the founding of the Ramsgate Council of Social Service and from its beginning in 1932 till the outbreak of war he was the hon. secretary. The establishment of a recreational centre at the Assembly Rooms, High-street, which have since been destroyed by enemy action, was largely a result of his efforts. As hon. secretary of the Council he was presented to the late Duke of Kent when he visited Thanet in 1939.

Capt. Daniel joined up soon after the outbreak of war and was commissioned second-lieutenant in the R.A.S.C. He went to Egypt and later fought in the Crete battle, being safely evacuated to Syria, where he took part in the tribal fighting. From there he returned to Egypt with the rank of staff-captain.

Prior to joining the forces, Capt. Daniel was an inspector in Ramsgate Special Constabulary.

Some years before the war Capt. Daniel held a commission in the Territorials but resigned as other local interests occupied all his time.

In the days of the Isle of Thanet Debating Society, Capt. Daniel added zest to the meetings with witty repartee.

The cremation took place at Golders Green yesterday and the ashes are being interned at Ramsgate Cemetery to-day.

Court Tributes.

Tributes to the memory of Capt. Daniel were paid at Ramsgate police court on Monday.

The Chairman (Mr. H. J. Perry) said that on behalf of the bench he wished to express the extreme regret with which they heard of the passing of Mr. Daniel. He was well respected as a solicitor practising at the court. There was something about Charles Daniel that was very attractive. He was a thorough man. The more one knew him the more one respected him and the bench wished to express their sincere sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Kenyon Daniel in the loss of their son.

It was within the knowledge of everyone, said Mr. Perry, that as time went on Mr. Daniel would have become the head of his firm. Now he had gone. Not only to his father and mother did they wish to express their sympathy but also to his widow and two chiloren.

Mr. G. H. Edwards, on behalf of the solicitors practising at the court, said he deeply deplored the passing of Mr. Daniel. He spoke with great feeling for he had the privilege of being a close personal friend. All the solicitors practising in Thanet looked on Mr. Daniel as a friend.

"He was an upright and honourable man," said Mr. Edwards. "His word was always absolutely as good as a written contract. The profession and the town has lost a man in his early life who had already made a great mark and who, I am sure, had he lived, would have taken an increasing part in the life of the town."

The Chief Constable (Mr. S. F. Butler), on behalf of the police, recalling that Mr. Daniel had been an inspector in the Special Constabulary, said he was held in the highest esteem both by the regulars and the specials. They also came into close contact with him in sporting activities and they greatly deplored the passing of one so young.

Similar sentiments were also expressed by Mr. E. A. Knight, Magistrates' Clerk, on behalf of the court officials.

Mr. Daniel was a man of great charm of manner, said Mr. Knight. He was scrupulously fair in all his advocacy in that and other courts and in addition had an extensive knowledge of the practise of law. He had looked forward to the time when they would welcome back Mr. Daniel with his cheery, charming manner.

All those in court stood for a few moments in silent tribute.

Upright and Fair.

The Editor has received from solicitors practising in Ramsgate the following tribute to Capt. Daniel:

Sir,—We, the undersigned solicitors practising in Ramsgate, desire to express our deep regret and sorrow at the untimely death of Charles Daniel, one of the youngest members of our profession. He was a man liked, admired and respected by everyone who knew him, and by no one more than by us who met him constantly and who learned by daily experience how upright and fair a man and how able a lawyer he was, and how pleasant it was to work with him. His kindness and unfailing sense of humour lightened our work and made every meeting with him a pleasure. We all feel that we have lost a friend and an outstanding personality in our profession.

He always took a great interest in Ramsgate and in public work, and the town has lost by his early death a man who would, had he lived, have served it well. There is no one in Ramsgate who will not deplore his loss and sympathise deeply with his family, so well known and so long and honourably associated with the town.

JNO. H. ROBINSON
E. C. ALLFREE
H. G. CURTIS
TERENCE ROBINSON
THOS. HOPPIT
G. H. EDWARDS
A. R. YOUNG

Ramsgate,
25th September, 1942.

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Yorkshire Relish

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(Signed) H.W., Manchester

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Births, Marriages, Deaths

The PREPAID charges for these announcements are 1d. per word (minimum: Births and Deaths 1/6, Marriages, Return Thanks and In Memoriam 2/6).

BIRTHS

Gardner.—20th September, at 16 Prince's-crescent, Margate, the wife of Edward Gardner, of a daughter.

Miller.—16th September, at the Royal Bucks Hospital, Aylesbury, to Phyl (née White), wife of Plt. Off. R. I. M. Miller, R.A.F.V.R., a fine son (Kim Ian).

Nunn.—19th September, at Walton-on-Thames, the wife of H. O. Nunn, of a son.

MARRIAGES

Ashby—Kingsland.—22nd September, at St. John's Church, Margate, Hy. C. Ashby, of Eastry, to Louisa M. Kingsland, of Deal.

Beerling—Kemp.—19th September, at Cardiff, Leonard John Beerling, of Ramsgate, to Rosina Sophia Kemp, of Rhoose, S. Wales.

Onley—Haddrell.—21st September, at All Saints' Church, Birchington, by the Rev. N. M. Granville Sharp, William Walter Onley, of Westgate, to Rosalind Mary Haddrell, of Birchington.

Holland—Witherell.—19th September, at Holy Cross Church, Greenford, David O. Holland, of Ramsgate, to Peggy Witherell, of Greenford.

Kemp—Shrubsall.—19th September, at the Hearsall Baptist Church, Coventry, Cpl. Bernard Dean Kemp, of Strood, to Margaret Amelia Shrubsall, of Westwood.

Simons—Tolley.—19th September, Capt. Charles Simons, Royal Sussex Regt., to Doreen Margaret Tolley, of Margate.

Smalley—Gore.—17th September, at Parklane Chapel, St. Helen's, Lancashire, Kenneth Smalley, R.E., of Haydock, St. Helen's, to Betty Gore, of Ramsgate.

Stewart—Wakeling.—19th September, at Holy Cross Church, Birmingham, Ronald Edward Stewart, R.A.F.V.R., of Westgate, to Lavinia Ethel Wakeling, of Birmingham.

DEATHS

Bigg.—20th September, at 2 Syndale-place, Avenue-road, Ramsgate, Sarah Bridges Bigg.

Daniel.—24th September, in London, Martin Charles Campbell Daniel, B.A., Oxon., Lieut. (lately Acting Capt.), R.A.S.C., of Ramsgate, aged 37 years.

Field.—13th September, at the Military Hospital, Poona, India, Sub-Condr. Alfred E. B. Field, R.I.A.S.C.—Ever remembered by his sister Mary.

Howells.—20th September, at Guy's U.S.A. Hospital, Seal, near Sevenoaks, Pte. A. B. Howells, The Buffs, of Roman-road, Ramsgate.

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